| SI. No. | Name of the State | Amount Released 2005-06 | Amount Released 2004-05 | Amount Released 2003-04 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 6. | Chandigarh | Rs. 1,00,000/- | Rs.2,30,000/- | Rs.75,000/- |
| 7. | Delhi | Rs.6,77,000/- | Rs.6,45,000/- | Rs.4,19,000/- |
| 8. | Gujarat | Rs. 1,55,000/- | Rs.3,50,000/- | Rs.1,80,000/- |
| 9. | Haryana | Rs.6,25,000/- | — | — |
| 10. | Himachal Pradesh | Rs.7,95,000/- | Rs.7,30,000/- | Rs.2,75,000/- |
| 11. | Jharkhand | Rs.60,000/- | Rs.50,000/- | — |
| 12. | Jammu and Kashmir | Rs.1,50,000/- | Rs.1,50,000/- | — |
| 13. | Karnataka | Rs.30,09,000/- | Rs.19,85,000/- | Rs.9,31,000/- |
| 14. | Kerala | Rs.50,000/- | Rs.3,35,000/- | Rs.50,000/- |
| 15. | Manipur | Rs.13,30,000/- | Rs.9,40,000/- | Rs.5,71,000/- |
| 16. | Madhya Pradesh | Rs.6,35,000/- | Rs.4,45,000/- | Rs.75,000/- |
| 17. | Maharashtra | Rs.5,70,000/- | Rs.3,80,000/- | Rs.86,000/- |
| 18. | Mizoram | Rs.30,000/- | — | — |
| 19. | Nagaland | Rs.4,85,000/- | Rs.1,20,000/- | Rs.1,00,000/- |
| 20. | Orissa | Rs.26,87,000/- | Rs.9,10,000/- | Rs.3,57,000/- |
| 21. | Punjab | Rs.25,000/- | — | — |
| 22. | Pondichery | Rs.60,000/- | — | — |
| 23. | Rajasthan | Rs.7,80,000/- | Rs.7,50,000/- | Rs.3,75,000/- |
| 24. | Sikkim | Rs.1,30,000/- | — | — |
| 25. | Tamil Nadu | Rs. 1,90,000/- | Rs.3,15,000/- | Rs.75,000/- |
| 26. | Tripura | Rs.60,000/- | Rs.1,50,000/- | Rs.32,500/- |
| 27. | Uttar Pradesh | Rs. 13,40,000/- | Rs.4,45,000/- | Rs.7,15,228/- |
| 28. | Uttaranchal | Rs.5,70,000/- | Rs.4,00,000/- | — |
| 29. | West Bengal | Rs.12,75,000/- | Rs.7,70,000/- | Rs.6,31,000/- |
| 30. | Goa | — | Rs.75,000/- | — |
| | TOTAL: | 1,85,00,000 | 1,26,02,000 | 59,74,228 |

**Relief package to coffee growers**

*37. SHRIMATI BRINDA KARAT: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have announced any relief package to coffee growers in the year 2004-05, which waived off two years interest due to those who availed loans under Special Coffee Term Loan (SCTL) scheme;

(b) if so, the details of the same; and

(c) how many small coffee growers have benefited from this scheme?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b) A One time 'Special Coffee Package' was approved by the Government of India on 26th May, 2005 to alleviate the debt problems of coffee growers. The relief measures approved envisaged:

(i) Sharing the total interest burden on SCTL estimated to be Rs. 287.10 crore for the 3 years moratorium period equally amongst the banks, Government and the loanee growers to the extent of 1/3rd each. The grower loanees were required to deposit their of 1/3rd share by 30th June,2005.

(ii) Requesting the Banks to lower the interest rate charged of SCTL from the existing 11% to 9% or the rate applicable to agriculture sector whichever is lower during the remaining repayment period of SCTL Loans.

(iii) Writing off of coffee developmental loans alongwith interest amounting to around Rs. 24 crore, due from the Coffee Board to the Government of India and waiving by the Coffee Board of the old developmental loans amounting to around Rs. 64.59 crore extended by the Board to the small coffee growers (having holdings below 10 hectares).

(iv) Continuing the Interest Subsidy Scheme for small growers (below 10 hectares) at the rate of 5% and large growers at the rate of 3% for the remaining period of the Tenth Plan which would be reduced by one per cent in the case of those growers who received the benefits of the reduced interest burden on SCTL during the moratorium period.

(c) About 90% of the total beneficiaries (totalling about twelve thousand) who availed the said package were small grower loanees. Further, a total number of approximately 83,800 small growers have availed the benefits of the Interest Subsidy small growers scheme. A large number of coffee growers including small growers have also benefited from the waiver of old developmental loans. Both of these are components of the said package.